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For: METHOD FOR EXAMINING HUMAN KIDNEY DISEASES BY DETECTING THE

FATTY ACID BINDING PROTEIN

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In reply to the Office Action dated June 13, 2006, the period for replying having been extended one (1) month to October 13, 2006, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes: Remarks.